



PATENT
Docket No. 232.00010120

#1c
12-18-99
Shane

THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Stefan M. Pulst) Group Art Unit: 1655
Serial No.: 08/981,998)
Filed: May 11, 1998) Examiner: J. Enewold
For: NUCLEIC ACID ENCODING SPINOCEREBELLAR ATAXIA-2 AND
PRODUCTS RELATED THERETO

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 21, 1999, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group I (claims 1-15, 27-29, 37; 40, and 43), drawn to primers, vector, host cell, antisense oligonucleotides, kits, and a method to detect SCA2 nucleic acid. Applicant's Representatives reserve the right to pursue examination of the non-elected claims in continuation or divisional applications. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the restrictions in this case and submits that the inventions as claimed can be readily evaluated in one search without placing undue burden on the Examiner.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if there are any questions regarding this Response or if prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.8:

The undersigned hereby certifies that this paper is being deposited in the United States Postal Service, as first class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 22 day of November, 1999.

Ann M. Muetting
Ann M. Muetting

Date

AMM:LDG

Respectfully submitted,
Stefan M. Pulst
By his Representatives,
Muetting, Raasch & Gebhardt, P.A.
P.O. Box 581415
Minneapolis, MN 55458-1415
(612)305-1220

By:

Ann M. Muetting
Ann M. Muetting
Reg. No. 33,977
Direct Dial (612)305-1217